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Ms. Cecilia Crenshaw Planning and Air Quality Specialist FHWA TN Division 640 Grassmere Park Road, Suite 112 Nashville, Tennessee 37211

RE: Amendment # 2008-32, TIP # 2008-85-091, Music City Star Commuter Rail Line, Davidson / Wilson Amendment #2008-033, TIP # 2008-12-095, McCrory Lane Widening, Metro Nashville

Dear Ms. Crenshaw:

We are requesting approval of the attached amendments to the Tennessee STIP. The amendments are for the Nashville MPO FY 2008-2011 TIP. TIP Project # 2008-85-091; Music City Star Commuter Rail Line - RTA in Davidson/ Wilson Counties. The action is to add additional funding for operation and preventive maintenance in FY 2009. TIP Project # 2008-12-95; McCrory Lane Widening – Metro in Nashville, Davidson County. The action is to add the project to the TIP.

The following information is included:

- 1. A memorandum from the MPO listing the amendment being made. The letter states that the changes leave the plan fiscally constrained.
- 2. A resolution, properly signed by the MPO Chairman of the Executive Board.
- 3. Individual project sheets and fiscal summary sheets with project description and background.

The Nashville MPO has provided documentation that the public involvement process was followed and this amendment will leave the TIP fiscally constrained. This amendment to the STIP contains all of the modified pages reflecting the changes to the above amendments that were made to the Nashville TIP.

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Based on a review of the attached material, we believe that the MPO has followed appropriate procedures and met all requirements necessary to permit approval of this amendment and request your concurrence with this assessment.

I trust this information is sufficient to allow approval of the presented amendment. If we need to provide any additional information please contact Rick Pack at 615 741-6745 or rick.pack@state.tn.us.

Sincerely,

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